

A STUDY OF CONTENT ANALYSIS OF THE FIRST AND SECOND ARABIC SIGN DICTIONARIES FOR THE DEAF SYNTACTIC (STRUCTURAL) SYSTEM IN ARABIC DEAF SIGN LANGUAGE

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***ABSTRACT_** The study investigated the method of content analysis for the deaf syntactic (structural) system in Arabic deaf sign language. It concluded that the syntax of sentences in deaf sign language consists of complexes as defined in Arabic language. The results also indicated that the sentence structure in Arabic deaf sign language is different from the sentence structure in Arabic language general, due to the shape, gestures, and the position of the hand, as well as facial expressions, and the moves of shoulders and the like. The study recommended for more analytical studies of linguistic systems in Arabic deaf sign language, including but not limited to semantics, syntax, morphology, and sociolinguistics.*

***KEY WORDS:** Arabic deaf sign language grammar, Arabic deaf sign dictionary, Arabic deaf sign linguistics.*